

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 593
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A RESOLUTION to designate the National Guard Armory in Jackson as the "Frankland National Guard Armory".

WHEREAS, since the birth of our great nation, hundreds of thousands of brave American men and women have served their country in the armed forces and many continue this legacy of service today, defending the most inviolate principles of human freedom and democracy; and

WHEREAS, perhaps no one in this state's storied military history exemplified this time-honored tradition of Tennessee volunteerism better than the late Major General Robert Ernest Frankland, U.S. Army; and

WHEREAS, Major General Frankland was most assuredly an outstanding citizen and soldier who was the very epitome of a person devoted to his country and the ideals of freedom and liberty; and

WHEREAS, he joined the National Guard in the 1920s as a private, and won numerous honors for bravery in World War II, including the Combat Infantry Distinguished Unit Badge with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the Silver Star with Oak Leaf Cluster; and

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WHEREAS, Major General Frankland served with distinction during his exemplary career with the Tennessee National Guard, including his meritorious service as Adjutant General; and

WHEREAS, also an astute business leader and community activist, Major General Frankland served with sagacity as president of the Jackson Chamber of Commerce, as chairman of the Madison County Sesquicentennial Celebration; in 1970, he was named Jackson's Man of the Year; and

WHEREAS, men of his stature do not often walk among us, and it is most appropriate that we should provide a lasting tribute to his life of purpose and commitment to the greater good of this nation and this state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the National Guard Armory in Jackson is hereby designated as the "Frankland National Guard Armory" as a tribute to this distinguished Tennessean and his many outstanding achievements, as a soldier and as a citizen.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the department of military is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the National Guard Armory in Jackson as the "Frankland National Guard Armory".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Adjutant General of the Tennessee National Guard.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That certified copies of this resolution also be transmitted to the appropriate persons in Jackson, with this final clause omitted from such copies.